

#### WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

## Governor Earl Ray Tomblin's Monthly General Revenue Collections Report for February 2011

The February 2011 General Revenue Collections report highlights state revenue collections made between February 1, 2011, and February 28, 2011, the final business day of the month for the West Virginia General Revenue Fund. The General Revenue Fund is comprised of various sources of revenue which is used to provide vast government services for the citizens of West Virginia. Prior to the start of each fiscal year, the West Virginia State Tax Department estimates how much revenue will be collected each month of that fiscal year. This report compares actual collections with such estimates and with collections made during the same time period for the year prior. In addition, the current year-to-date collections are evaluated by revenue source. All tables are expressed in millions.

#### **February 2011 Overall General Revenue Collections:**

West Virginia collected \$200.3 million in the General Revenue Fund in February, which is \$1.8 million below estimates, but 0.8% above prior year receipts. Cumulative collections of more than \$2.56 billion are nearly \$239.7 million above estimates and 10.5% ahead of prior year. Nearly 22% of the cumulative surplus is attributable to a timing related \$52.2 million overage in appropriated Excess Lottery Transfers.

### **February 2011 Actual Collections by Revenue Source vs. Estimate:**

Personal income tax revenue in February 2011 was \$40.7 million, \$16.5 million below estimate. The decrease in collections was partially related to a timing delay in refund payments normally made in late January to early February due to issues associated with recent changes in federal tax policy. Consumer sales and use tax receipts totaled nearly \$80.8 million and were roughly \$0.7 million above estimate. February deposits of appropriated excess lottery fund transfers totaled \$21.1 million versus an estimate of \$0 for the month. Corporate net income tax collections in February were nearly \$15.8 million below estimate due to refund payments of \$20.5 million. Severance tax collections of \$41.2 million were \$7.2 million above February estimates.

February 2011 Revenue Expressed in Millions

Tax Component	Estimate	Actual
Personal Income Tax	\$57.2	\$40.7
Sales and Use Tax	\$80.1	\$80.8
Corporate Net Income Tax	\$0.2	(\$15.6)
Severance Tax	\$34.0	\$41.2
Insurance Tax	\$4.0	\$5.1
Tobacco Products Tax	\$8.3	\$7.2
Business & Occupation Tax	\$11.1	\$12.5



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# February 2011 Actual Collections by Revenue Source vs. February 2010 Receipts:

Personal income tax collections were 24.2 percent below prior year receipts. The decrease in revenue is attributable to a 32 percent increase in the amount of refund payments from February 2010 to February 2011. Consumer sales and use tax collections were 5.3 percent above prior year receipts. B&O tax collections were more than 35 percent ahead of prior year receipts. Severance Tax receipts came in 6.4 percent below prior year receipts. Insurance premium tax collections were 285 percent above last year receipts. Significantly higher February 2011 collections for both B&O tax and insurance premium tax were partially attributable to the last day of the month falling on Monday in 2011 versus Sunday in 2010. When the end of the month falls on a weekend, the last day for collections is the immediate preceding regular business day.

#### February 2011/2010 Revenue Expressed in Millions

Tax Component	February 2010	February 2011
Personal Income Tax	\$53.6	\$40.7
Sales and Use Tax	\$76.7	\$80.8
Corp. Net Income Tax	(\$0.8)	(\$15.6)
Severance Tax	\$44.1	\$41.2
Insurance Tax	\$1.3	\$5.1
Tobacco Products Tax	\$8.0	\$7.2
Business & Occupation Tax	\$9.3	\$12.5

#### 2011 Fiscal Year-to-Date Actual Collections by Revenue Source:

Cumulative personal income tax collections total \$946.7 million, which is \$54.2 million above estimates and 9.5 percent above prior year receipts. Year-to-date consumer sales and use (Sales) tax revenue collections total \$785.8 million, which is \$23.3 million above estimates and 5.5 percent above prior year receipts. Cumulative Corporation Net Income tax receipts total \$154.1 million, \$54.0 million above estimates and 11.5 percent ahead of last year. Year-to-date severance tax collections total \$275.3 million, \$41.3 million above estimates and 8.0 percent above prior year collection levels.

2011 YTD Revenue Expressed in Millions

Tax Component	Estimate	Actual
Personal Income Tax	\$892.5	\$946.7
Sales and Use Tax	\$762.5	\$785.8
Corp. Net Income Tax	\$100.1	\$154.1
Severance Tax	\$234.1	\$275.3
Insurance Tax	\$55.3	\$56.4
Tobacco Products Tax	\$74.5	\$72.3
Business and Occupation Tax	\$77.4	\$79.7

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